



Centerm Expansion Project

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September 2019

You are receiving this email because you signed up to receive updates about the Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project.

Centerm Community Fund now taking applications



Organizations in the Downtown Eastside (including Chinatown, Gastown, Railtown), Strathcona, Hastings-Sunrise, and Grandview-Woodlands can now apply for funding for their community initiatives through the Centerm Community Fund.

Projects supporting community enrichment, education and training, or environmental leadership are eligible to receive funding. Read the full [news release](#).

Submit by: November 29, 2019

Learn more: www.portvancouver.com/centerm-fund

Applications must be received during the intake period to be considered.

The port authority, in collaboration with Centerm container terminal operator DP World, recently donated \$2 million to community organizations and initiatives in East Vancouver. Read the full [news release](#).

Canfisco boiler house removal

At the end of this month, we will begin demolition of the Canfisco boiler house building to make room for widening East Waterfront Road.



Pictured: The boiler house, a small square brick building at the back of the Canfisco buildings.

What you may see or hear

During demolition, you may see an excavator being used to demolish the building and load materials into dump trucks to be disposed of at a licensed facility. Water will be used to control dust from demolition activity. Nearby residents and businesses can anticipate a noise associated with construction activities, such as concrete crushing, banging, and scraping associated with demolition and loading materials into trucks.

Traffic impacts

A minor increase in truck traffic using the Main Street overpass will be noticeable during this time.

Work hours

Weekends from September 21–October 6, 2019

Saturday work hours: 7:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Sunday work hours: 9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Note: Not all work days will require significant activity that will be seen by residents.

Marine work continues this month

If you look out toward Centerm this month, you'll likely see the dredging barge at work. Also this month, we will begin the process of infilling to build the structural dykes to create land to extend the terminal.

Hours of work

Ongoing 24 hours a day, 7 days per week until late spring/early summer 2020.

Crabs on the move

As part of our commitment to protect the environment, we are relocating crabs, sea cucumbers, crustaceans and fish to other areas in the Burrard Inlet.



Pictured: A baited crab trap ready to be lowered onto the seabed.

This marine salvage operation has been taking place since mid-August and will be ongoing throughout the in-water works period for the project. Nineteen salvages have been scheduled between now and early December.

How is marine life collected?

There are two types of methods used to collect marine life for this project: passive salvage and active salvage.

The passive salvage method is used to catch crabs. Divers put down baited crab traps in areas around the east and west side of the terminal. Every few days they check the traps, count the crabs, and take them to a new home.

The active salvage method is used to collect sea cucumbers. This entails scuba divers catching sea cucumbers by hand, or catching fish with nets. They are then carefully moved to areas away from the dredging and infilling site.

How many creatures have you caught?

To date, we have caught and relocated:

- 91 Dungeness crabs
- 14 red rock crabs
- 121 coonsripe shrimp
- 19 fish of various species
- 0 sea cucumbers

Where is the port authority relocating this sea life to?

All salvaged sea life is being relocated to other areas in the Burrard Inlet, specifically to the Maplewood Marine Restoration project site in North Vancouver or to Deep Cove.

Did you know?

The best bait to lure crabs with is wet cat food! If you look closely at the image above you can see a can inside the trap.

Video - Dredging from the sky



It can be hard to see what's happening on port land from the city. This video gives you a bird's eye view of work happening at Burrard Dock (removal of the rail ties) and a dredging barge with silt curtain in place.

Take a bird's eye view of the project!

About the projects

The Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project are being completed to help meet anticipated near-term demand for containers shipped through the Port of Vancouver. The project includes a new overpass for Centennial Road, making Waterfront Road a continuous road along the South Shore, and a reconfiguration and expansion of the Centerm terminal.

The project is being delivered by Centennial Expansion Partners (CXP) and is anticipated to be complete by the end of 2021.

Interested in seeing the full construction schedule?

Download the construction activities and timelines PDF



Centerm: Current view



Centerm: Rendering of view following construction completion

Contact us

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Website: www.portvancouver.com/centerm-expansion

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The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is governed by the Canada Marine Act. Our mission is to enable Canada's trade objectives, ensuring safety, environmental protection and consideration for local communities. Our vision is to be the world's most sustainable port.

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